AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The listing of claims below replaces all prior versions of claims in this application.

1. (Currently Amended) An electronic mail server device comprising:

means for receiving an electronic mail;

means for determining whether a prescribed processing condition is satisfied in accordance with the received electronic mail, ~~wherein the means for determining determines whether a prescribed processing condition is satisfied based on a condition of a transmitting side of the electronic mail and a condition of a receiving side of the electronic mail~~; and

means for controlling to execute a prescribed processing to the received electronic mail when the prescribed processing condition is satisfied,

wherein the means for determining includes a table storing a relationship between a plurality of prescribed processing conditions related to the received electronic mail, a plurality of processings corresponding to respective prescribed processing conditions that may be performed in response to the means for determining making a determination that the prescribed processing condition is satisfied, and a plurality of conditions that specifically define the plurality of prescribed processing conditions for each of a plurality of destinations of the received electronic mail, and

wherein the means for controlling executes any one of the plurality of prescribed processings in response to the means for determining making a determination that the prescribed processing condition is satisfied.

2. (Currently Amended) The electronic mail server device according to claim 1, wherein the prescribed processing condition is when a size of the received electronic mail or an attached file exceeds a prescribed value, and when the means for determining determines that the size of the received electronic mail or the attached file exceeds the prescribed value, the means for controlling executes at least one of following ~~processing~~ prescribed processings:

(a) dividing and forwarding the electronic mail;

(b) forwarding the electronic mail to a prescribed destination;

(c) returning the electronic mail to a transmitter terminal; and

(d) printing the electronic mail or the attached file.

3. (Currently Amended) The electronic mail server device according to claim 2, wherein the ~~prescribed value of the size of~~ plurality of conditions that specifically define the prescribed processing condition are sizes of the electronic mail or the attached file ~~is a value~~ specific to each electronic mail address or each domain of a destination of the electronic mail.

4. (Currently Amended) The electronic mail server device according to claim 1, wherein the prescribed processing condition is when an attached file of the received electronic mail is a specific format, and when the means for determining determines that the attached file of the received electronic mail is the specific format, the means for controlling executes at least one of following ~~processing~~ prescribed processings:

(a) converting the attached file into a prescribed format and forwarding;

(b) forwarding the electronic mail to a prescribed destination;

(c) returning the electronic mail to a transmitter terminal; and

(d) printing the electronic mail or the attached file.

5. (Currently Amended) The electronic mail server device according to claim 4, wherein the ~~specific format is a format~~ plurality of conditions that specifically define the prescribed processing condition are respective formats which [[is]] are specific to each electronic mail address or each domain of a destination of the electronic mail.

6. (Currently Amended) The electronic mail server device according to claim 1, wherein the prescribed processing condition is when an attached file of the received electronic mail is not a specific format, and when the means for determining determines that the attached file of the received electronic mail is not the specific format, the means for controlling executes at least one of following ~~processing~~ prescribed processings:

(a) converting the attached file into a prescribed format and forwarding;

(b) forwarding the electronic mail to a prescribed destination;

(c) returning the electronic mail to a transmitter terminal; and

(d) printing the electronic mail or the attached file.

7. (Currently Amended) The electronic mail server device according to claim 6, wherein the ~~specific format is a format~~ plurality of conditions that specifically define the prescribed

processing condition are respective formats which [[is]] are specific to each electronic mail address or each domain of a destination of the electronic mail.

8. (Currently Amended) The electronic mail server device according to claim 1, wherein the prescribed processing condition is when the received electronic mail is a specific type, and when the means for determining determines that the received electronic mail is the specific type, the means for controlling executes at least one of following processing prescribed processings:

(a) forwarding the electronic mail to a prescribed destination;

(b) returning the electronic mail to a transmitter terminal; and

(c) printing the electronic mail.

9. (Currently Amended) The electronic mail server device according to claim 8, wherein the specific type is a type plurality of conditions that specifically define the prescribed processing condition are respective types of electronic mail which [[is]] are specific to each electronic mail address or each domain of a destination of the electronic mail.

10. (Currently Amended) The electronic mail server device according to claim 1, wherein the prescribed processing condition is when specific data is included in the received electronic mail, and when the means for determining determines that the specific data is included in the received electronic mail, the means for controlling executes at least one of following processing prescribed processings:

(a) removing the specific data from the electronic mail and forwarding the electronic

mail;

(b) forwarding the electronic mail to a prescribed destination;

(c) returning the electronic mail to a transmitter terminal, and

(d) printing the electronic mail.

11. (Currently Amended) The electronic mail server device according to claim 1, wherein

the prescribed processing condition is when a transmitter terminal of the received electronic mail

is a specific address or a specific domain, and when the means for determining determines that

the transmitter terminal of the received electronic mail is the specific address or the specific

domain, the means for controlling executes at least one of following ~~processing~~ prescribed

processings:

(a) forwarding the electronic mail to a prescribed destination;

(b) returning the electronic mail to the transmitter terminal;

(c) blocking a reception of the electronic mail; and

(d) printing the electronic mail.

12. (Currently Amended) The electronic mail server device according to claim 1, wherein

the prescribed processing condition is when a transmitter terminal of the received electronic mail

is neither a specific address nor a specific domain, and when the means for determining

determines that the transmitter terminal of the received electronic mail is neither the specific

address nor the specific domain, the means for controlling executes at least one of following ~~processing~~ prescribed processings:

(a) forwarding the electronic mail to a prescribed destination;

(b) returning the electronic mail to a transmitter terminal;

(c) blocking a reception of the electronic mail; and

(d) printing the electronic mail.

13. (Currently Amended) The electronic mail server device according to claim 1, wherein the prescribed processing condition is when failing to forward the received electronic mail, and when ~~failing to forward~~ the means for determining determines that forwarding of the received electronic mail has failed, the means for controlling executes at least one of following ~~processing~~ prescribed processings:

(a) forwarding the electronic mail to a prescribed destination;

(b) returning the electronic mail to a transmitter terminal;

(c) printing the electronic mail;

(d) forwarding the electronic mail again after an elapse of a prescribed period of time; and

(e) forwarding the electronic mail again via another communication channel or under another communication protocol.

14. (Currently Amended) The electronic mail server device according to claim 1, wherein the prescribed processing condition is when receiving a plurality of divided electronic mails, and

when ~~receiving~~ the means for determining determines that the plurality of divided electronic

mails have been received, the means for controlling restores the received plurality of divided

electronic mails into one electronic mail, and ~~forward~~ forwards the electronic mail.

15. (Currently Amended) The electronic mail server device according to claim 1, wherein

the means for controlling receives data which defines the prescribed processing condition and

prescribed processing corresponding to the prescribed processing condition from a remote device

under a prescribed communication protocol.

16. (Currently Amended) An electronic mail server device comprising:

a reception unit which receives an electronic mail;

a determination unit which determines whether a prescribed processing condition is

satisfied in accordance with the received electronic mail, ~~wherein the determination unit~~

~~determines whether a prescribed processing condition is satisfied based on a condition of a~~

~~transmitting side of the electronic mail and a condition of a receiving side of the electronic mail;~~

and

a control unit which executes a prescribed processing to the received electronic mail

when the prescribed processing condition is satisfied,

wherein the determination unit includes a table storing a relationship between a plurality

of prescribed processing conditions related to the received electronic mail, a plurality of

processings corresponding to respective prescribed processing conditions that may be performed

in response to the determination unit making a determination that the prescribed processing condition is satisfied, and a plurality of conditions that specifically define the plurality of prescribed processing conditions for each of a plurality of destinations of the received electronic mail, and

wherein the control unit executes any one of the plurality of prescribed processings in response to the determination unit determining that the prescribed processing condition is satisfied.

17. (Currently Amended) An electronic mail processing method of an electronic mail server device, comprising:

receiving an electronic mail;

determining whether a prescribed processing condition is satisfied in accordance with the received electronic mail, ~~wherein the determining determines whether a prescribed processing condition is satisfied based on a condition of a transmitting side of the electronic mail and a condition of a receiving side of the electronic mail~~; and

executing a prescribed processing to the received electronic mail when the prescribed processing condition is satisfied,

wherein the determining whether a prescribed processing condition is satisfied includes establishing a relationship between a plurality of prescribed processing conditions related to the received electronic mail, a plurality of processings corresponding to respective prescribed processing conditions that may be performed in response to determining that the prescribed

processing condition is satisfied, and a plurality of conditions that specifically define the plurality of prescribed processing conditions for each of a plurality of destinations of the received electronic mail, and

wherein the executing the prescribed processing includes executing any one of the plurality of prescribed processings in response to the determining that the prescribed processing condition is satisfied.

18. (Currently Amended) The electronic mail processing method according to claim 17, wherein the prescribed processing condition is when a size of the received electronic mail or an attached file exceeds a prescribed value, and when the determining determines that the prescribed processing condition is satisfied, the executed prescribed processing is at least one of following processing prescribed processings:

(a) dividing and forwarding the electronic mail;

(b) forwarding the electronic mail to a prescribed destination;

(c) returning the electronic mail to a transmitter terminal; and

(d) printing the electronic mail or the attached file.

19. (Currently Amended) The electronic mail processing method according to claim 17, wherein the prescribed processing condition is when an attached file of the electronic mail is a specific format, and when the determining determines that the prescribed processing condition is

satisfied, the executed prescribed processing is at least one of following ~~processing~~ prescribed

processings:

    (a) converting the attached file into a prescribed format and forwarding;

    (b) forwarding the electronic mail to a prescribed destination;

    (c) returning the electronic mail to a transmitter terminal; and

    (d) printing the electronic mail or the attached file.

20. (Currently Amended) The electronic mail processing method according to claim 17,

wherein the prescribed processing condition is when the received electronic mail is a specific

type, and when the determining determines that the prescribed processing condition is satisfied,

the executed prescribed processing is at least one of following ~~processing~~ prescribed processings:

    (a) forwarding the electronic mail to a prescribed destination;

    (b) returning the electronic mail to a transmitter terminal; and

    (c) printing the electronic mail.

21. (Currently Amended) The electronic mail processing method according to claim 17,

wherein the prescribed processing condition is when a specific data is included in the received

electronic mail, and when the determining determines that the prescribed processing condition is

satisfied, the executed prescribed processing is at least one of following ~~processing~~ prescribed

processings:

    (a) deleting the specific data from the electronic mail and forwarding;

(b) forwarding the electronic mail to a prescribed destination;

(c) returning the electronic mail to a transmitter terminal; and

(d) printing the electronic mail.

22. (Currently Amended) The electronic mail processing method according to claim 17, wherein the prescribed processing condition is when a transmitter terminal of the received electronic mail is a specific address or a specific domain, and when the determining means determines that the prescribed processing condition is satisfied, the executed prescribed processing includes at least one of following ~~processing~~ prescribed processings:

(a) forwarding the electronic mail to a prescribed destination;

(b) returning the electronic mail to the transmitter terminal;

(c) blocking the reception of the electronic mail; and

(d) printing the electronic mail.

23. (Currently Amended) The electronic mail processing method according to claim 17, wherein the prescribed processing condition is when failing to forward the received electronic mail, and when the determining means determines that the prescribed processing condition is satisfied, the executed prescribed processing is at least one of following ~~processing~~ prescribed processings:

(a) forwarding the electronic mail to a prescribed destination;

(b) returning the electronic mail to a transmitter terminal;

(c) printing the electronic mail;

(d) forwarding the electronic mail again after an elapse of a prescribed period of time; and

(e) forwarding the electronic mail again via another communication channel or under another communication protocol.

24. (Currently Amended) The electronic mail processing method according to claim 17, wherein the prescribed processing condition is when receiving a plurality of divided electronic mails, and when the determining determines that the prescribed processing condition is satisfied, the executed prescribed processing is restoring the received plurality of divided electronic mails into one electronic mail, and forwarding the electronic mail to a prescribed destination.